

May 31, 2012

Director, Utah State Library Division

Re: Richfield Carnegie Library Parge Stucco

Dear Director:

The 1913 Richfield Carnegie Library is a rare gem among the 1,679 libraries funded by Andrew Carnegie between 1886 and 1919. It graces the front of the National Park Service Teaching with Historic Places Lesson Plan, "Carnegie Libraries: The Future Made Bright," as the only example of a Carnegie Library designed in the Craftsman Style. It is one of the very few examples of the Craftsman Style on a non-residential building in the State of Utah.

Utah Heritage Foundation commends the City of Richfield for its continued use of this important historic building as a library and for its commitment to the stewardship of it. Repairing the parge stucco will be the last project in a series of repairs that help insure the library will continue to be in use for many years to come.

We urge immediate approval of the request for funding to complete the parge stucco repair on this Richfield landmark so that its future can, indeed be made bright.

Thank you,

Susan Crook, Field Representative

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